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Happy New Year!

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Harmeed Kaurhundal, 10, spins a Chakra — a representation of a traditional Sikh weapon during yesterday's Khalsa Day parade. Thousands of colourfully dressed Sikhs came out to parade from the Canadian National Exhibition to Queen's Park to celebrate the Sikh new year.

Sikhs celebrate with city's third-largest parade

Tens of thousands of people marched through the streets of Toronto yesterday to celebrate the Sikh new year, marking the city's 25th Khalsa Day parade.

The festivities kicked off with traditional music, hymns, prayers and food before the parade started on its route toward Queen's Park at 1:30 p.m.

The event, which has grown from 2,000 people since it's inauguration in 1986 to become Toronto's third-largest parade, featured floats, martial arts performers and colourful costumes.

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Tradition

- Khalsa Day is a tradition that dates back to the birth of the Sikh religion.

Wants, needs not on same page

AFGHANISTAN There is a wide gulf between what people in Kandahar want in terms of reconstruction and what the international community, including Canada, has been delivering, says research conducted for the Canadian military.

A campaign assessment, penned last year by the Canadian Expeditionary Force Command, paints a stark assessment of the choices Ottawa has made when it comes to development projects in the war-consumed region.

Ottawa's plan

- Canada's civilian representative in Kandahar denied that Ottawa's plan was not meeting the needs of residents and indicated the choices were made based upon consultation with Afghans in 2007-08.

"We are visible, but not meeting perceived needs," concluded a state of public perception survey, released to The Canadian Press under access to information laws.

When asked what are the biggest challenges facing the community in which they live, people in Kandahar overwhelmingly listed unemployment, an absence of stable electricity and high prices as their biggest concerns.

Education, health care and the restoration of irrigation — all signature projects of the Canadian government — scored much lower, according to a poll conducted as part of the research.

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Don't make them angry, Hawking says

SPACE British astrophysicist Stephen Hawking says aliens are out there, but it could be too dangerous for humans to interact with extraterrestrial life.

Hawking claims in a new documentary that intelligent alien lifeforms almost certainly exist, but warns that communicating with them could be "too risky."

The 68-year-old scientist said a visit by extraterrestrials to Earth would be like Christopher Columbus arriving in the Americas, "which didn't turn out very well for the Native Americans."

He speculates most extraterrestrial life will be similar to microbes, or small animals — but adds advanced lifeforms may be "nomads, looking to conquer and colonize."

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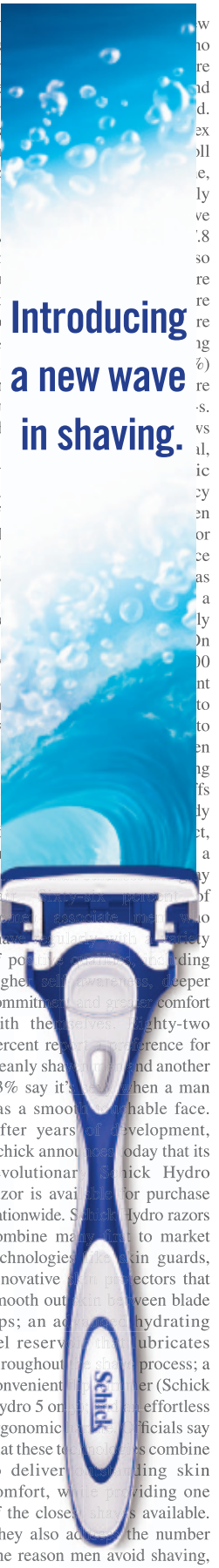

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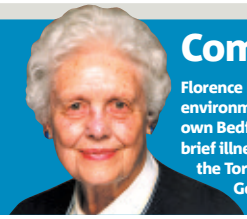

Community leader passes

Florence Honderich lived locally, but saw globally. An early supporter of the environmental movement, Honderich, left, was active in United Way Toronto and her own Bedford Park United Church. Honderich, 91, died at her home yesterday after a brief illness. She is the mother of John Honderich, chair of Torstar Corp., which owns the Toronto Star, Mary Honderich, a retired English and philosophy teacher living in Geneva, and David Honderich, a Toronto businessman. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Hundreds protest condo development

Community says Quarry Lands project would increase population density sevenfold

More than 1,000 people gathered to ramp up pressure against the city yesterday in a rally against a condo development they say will change the face of their neighbourhood.

The protest was organized by the Concerned Citizens of Quarry Lands Development — a 300-member group lobbying against plans to develop a 20-hectare parcel of wetland known as the Quarry Lands.

"We were hoping to send a message to the city's leadership," said Mark Brender, the group's president. "This is critically important for all neighbourhoods."

The quarry, which is owned by Sheldon Libfeld's Conservatory Group, is slated to be the site of a four-building highrise complex containing 1,455 units. Those buildings will include seven towers, each as high as 27 storeys. The area is bordered by Victoria Park Avenue to the west and Gerrard Street East to the south.

According to Brender, this development would result in a density seven times greater than that of the surrounding community — an area of single-family homes filled with young families and older couples who have lived there for decades.

"It's a community that recognizes what it means to have this property, that 50 years from now this property will not look like it does today," Brender said. "There's going to be development and that's not necessarily such a bad thing. What would be a terrible thing is if the development that's on the table happens."

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Cadets **Celebration march**

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Young cadets march down Jarvis Street yesterday afternoon on their way to Moss Park Armoury, part of celebrations marking 150 years of continuous service by the Queen's Own Rifles, an infantry regiment of the Canadian Forces Reserve.

Toronto last in province for organ donors

HEALTH On the outskirts of Sudbury, on each of the two roads that lead into town, you will see a large red billboard emblazoned with a simple message: "Be an organ donor. Tell your Family."

These unique billboards have remained in the same spot for 10 years. A constant reminder to all who go to Sudbury that organ donation can save lives.

According to an analysis by the Toronto Star, Sudbury has the second highest rate of organ donor registration in the province. About 34 per cent of residents have registered their consent for organ and tissue donation with Ontario's Trillium Gift of Life Network.

That it is easier to effect change in smaller communities, where people are more likely to connect with a friend of a friend of a friend, is likely just one of the reasons there is a wide variation in organ donor registration rates in Ontario.

Data obtained by the Star, released by Ontario's Ministry of Health under access to information laws, shows a stark difference in rates of organ donor registration.

Swaths of northeastern Ontario from Muskoka through to Sudbury and North Bay and the northern shore of Lake Superior have registration rates more than 30 per cent. A neighbourhood in North Bay has the highest rate in Ontario at 43 per cent.

Toronto sits at the bottom of the list. Only four per cent of residents who live in neighbourhoods in the northwest of the city register to be organ donors and rates in many other enclaves hover around eight per cent. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Cultural factors at play?

- Cultural differences may also play a role. Organ donation generally resonates strongly with people of Western origin and descent, says Kerry Bowman, a bioethicist at the University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics. In a diverse city like Toronto there will be dozens of different interpretations of death, which means not everyone will agree to donating their organs.

Two hospitalized after shooting

CRIME Two men in their 20s are in hospital after a double shooting in the Humber Heights-Westmount area early yesterday.

Police responded to a shooting call at a residence in the Weston Road and Tilden Crescent area, just south of Scarlett Road and Lawrence Avenue West around 12:55 a.m.

A fight broke out at a friendly gathering in the home where two men were shot, one in the leg, the other in the shoulder, police said.

They were rushed to Sunnybrook hospital where they underwent surgery for their wounds.

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News in brief

BODY Police in Toronto are asking for the public's help to identify a man whose body was pulled yesterday from Lake Ontario near Ontario Place. He's described as a white man in his early 60s, between five-foot-six and five-foot-eight and 200 pounds with a round face. Police said he has grey hair, bushy grey eyebrows, blue eyes and a couple of days of beard growth. Anyone with information is asked to call police.

MISSING Police are asking for the public's assistance in finding a missing autistic teen in Scarborough. Kevin Kwok, 17, was last seen Saturday around 9 p.m. in his home at 138 Bonis Ave., just south of the Tam O'Shanter Golf Course. He is described as being about five-foot-six, 130 pounds, with a thin build. He was last seen wearing an orange Adidas T-shirt and black shorts. Anyone with information is asked to call 42 Division at 416-808-4200 or Crime Stoppers at 416-222-TIPS (8477).

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Oshawa prostitution sweep nets 100
A prostitution sweep in Oshawa resulted in 100 people facing numerous charges. Thirty-four sex trade workers were arrested and 73 johns. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Hydro sale would hinder clean energy: Smitherman

Mayoral candidate takes aim at Rossi proposal

Mayoral candidate George Smitherman is putting a green spin on his opposition to privatizing Toronto Hydro, saying rival Rocco Rossi's proposal would "destroy" the city's ability to promote the production of clean energy.

Smitherman, a former Ontario energy and infrastructure minister, told reporters it would be reckless for "some with ideological right-wing interests" to sell off the city's ability to ensure businesses and homeowners can benefit from, and participate in, the production of wind and solar power.

"Under privatization, profits and not the public interest would drive all decisions," Smitherman said Friday at the Green Living show, where he was to square off with rivals Rossi, Joe Pantalone and Rob Ford on environmental issues Saturday.

"A privatized Toronto Hydro would be in the business of making money for its shareholders and executives, not focusing on innovative ways to cut greenhouse gas emissions and deadly smog."

Smitherman, who has said before that he wouldn't sell Toronto Hydro, didn't offer any specific ways he would spur clean energy production, pointing instead to existing provincial incentives.

In an interview, Rossi made no apologies for his pledge to sell Toronto Hydro, saying the city needs the cash to help pay down the $2.5-billion debt and reduce $450 million in annual principal and interest charges.

"So what's his plan? I take no pleasure in (proposing) this, but what has Mr. Smitherman got on the table?"

Smitherman's other main challenger on the right, Etobicoke Coun. Rob Ford, has said he will get the city's finances in shape but sees no compelling reason to sell Toronto Hydro.

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City assets

- George Smitherman said he would look at selling city property and buildings as well as the city's minority stake in Enwave Energy. And, for the first time, Smitherman suggested the Toronto Parking Authority as a possible privatization target.

Speeders stopped Horsepower

ROGER CULLMAN/FOR METRO TORONTO

A Mercedes SL and a Lamborghini are pulled over Saturday by mounted police on Queen's College Circle at College Street. The drivers were given speeding tickets. Under the street racing bylaw, speeders can also have their cars impounded.

Eatery says 'arrivederci' to tony Yorkville address

PLAZA In its heyday, it was the epitome of Yorkville showbiz chic. But now, 23 years after Michael Carlevale opened the doors, it's time to say "arrivederci, Prego."

The end came abruptly on March 31, when Kevric Real Estate Corp., the company that manages the plaza at 150 Bloor St. W., opted not to extend the lease of the eatery. The company also runs part of the adjacent condo building at 175 Cumberland St.

Kevric is also involved in a legal battle with residents who have lost their parking privileges since Kevric took charge.

Prego is not the only tenant to have vanished from 150 Bloor St. W. Also gone are the Irish Shop, a jewelry store, a Telus store, and many offices on upper floors.

Insiders say Kevric is redeveloping the plaza and seeking a major company with a global brand name and the capacity to pay top rent. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Three major area recyclers close

BLUE BOXES Some GTA municipalities are scrambling to find markets for blue-box materials after three major recyclers suspended operations in recent months.

The Canadian Polystyrene Recycling Association in Brampton closed last month, for the second time in less than three years. Recycler Unical in Brampton, which recycles broken glass, closed due to financial difficulties last week. Whitby's Atlantic Packaging, which recycles Durham's newsprint, also closed. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Wind-turbine opponents press for halt to new projects

Municipalities in midwestern Ontario are stepping up their battle for a moratorium on wind-turbine developments. The municipalities worry about the numerous wind projects on the province's approvals list and the impact the development might have. They want an independent health study done. THE CANADIAN PRESS

High cost of charity

Internal expenses eating up sports groups' revenues

Sports foundations promising to do altruistic work with public contributions are spending too much on fundraising and administrative, says the organization representing Canadian charities.

A Toronto Star investigation reported the country's most high-profile sports charities — including the six Canadian NHL club foundations — routinely spend between 40 and 65 per cent of their revenues on internal expenses.

"It's definitely on the high side in terms of what widely perceived to be acceptable in the sector," said Cathy Barr, vice-president of operations with Imagine Canada. "The reasonable donor that has some understanding of these issues thinks the 15 to 20 per cent range (for fundraising and administration) is acceptable."

55% The Maple Leafs Sports and Entertainment's foundation — Team Up — spent 55 per cent of its $1.5 million in revenues last year on fundraising and administration.

Experts interviewed by the Star also said well-run charities should be keeping overhead costs to around 20 per cent. Anything above 35 per cent triggers the interest of the Canada Revenue Agency. Five of the six Canadian NHL club foundations sit above that CRA threshold, the Star investigation found.

Only the Montreal Canadiens Children's Foundation reported fundraising and administrative costs at below 20 per cent last year.

Imagine Canada has a voluntary ethical code that sets standards for charities around fundraising and financial reporting practices.

About 300 of the country's 83,000 charities have signed on to the code introduced in 2007. None of the country's major sports foundations are among them, said Karen Alebon, who runs Imagine Canada's ethical code program.

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Online database aims to make recycling easier

WASTE There's no magical way to get rid of your garbage and recycling, but Toronto's new searchable "wizard" database will tell you what to put where.

The "Waste Wizard" (toronto.ca/recycling), similar to a website Peel Region residents have been using for a few years, will allow residents to search for more than 1,500 items and learn how to dispose of them according to Toronto's rules.

The city created the database to deal with the growing list of blue-box items and for green-bin items such as paper towels, which many residents don't realize can be included.

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Green Living **Firth takes honour**

JOHN KENNEDY/FOR METRO TORONTO

Colin Firth receives the inaugural Green Living/Environmental Media Association International Entertainment Award from actress Amy Smart Saturday at the Green Living Show at Exhibition Place. The Oscar-nominated star was honoured for the London store Eco Age, which he co-owns with his wife, Livia, and her brother, Nicola Guiggioli. More coverage, page 12.

Man charged with aiding suicides

CRIME More than two years after Brampton teenager Nadia Kajouji drowned herself, a Minnesota prosecutor has laid precedent-setting charges against a former nurse.

William Melchert-Dinkel as charged with two counts of aiding suicide for his alleged role in the deaths of Kajouji and a 32-year-old British man, Mark Drybrough.

The 47-year-old father is accused of encouraging, advising and forming online suicide pacts with each of them.

The troubling case, which has garnered international attention, is believed to be the first time in North America that assisted suicide laws have been applied in such a way and, if successful, may pave the way for future prosecutions.

Melchert-Dinkel faces up to 30 years in prison and $60,000 in fines if convicted.

He is due to appear in court May 25.

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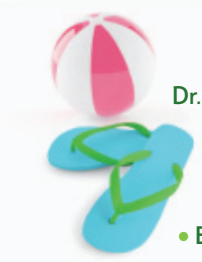

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ATVs may have sparked fire: Mayor

People riding all-terrain vehicles may have accidentally sparked a wildfire in the tinder-dry bush near Whitecourt, Alta., which threatened homes in the area, Mayor Trevor Thain said Saturday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada

Fight's on for Galloway visit

Supporters of British politician George Galloway, left, planned to urge Federal Court today to undo Canada's entry ban on the outspoken MP. An alliance of peace groups, backed by free speech advocates, maintain the ban, on the basis that Galloway supported terrorism, was uncalled for and unconstitutional. Galloway was to make a four-city speaking tour in March 2009, but Canadian immigration officials declared him inadmissible. THE CANADIAN PRESS

News in brief

G8 Close to 300 protesters marched through downtown Halifax yesterday, peacefully demonstrating against this week's meeting of G8 development ministers. The G8 Welcoming Committee, organized by a coalition of social, environmental, and student groups, demonstrated outside the Westin Hotel, where ministers from some of the most prosperous nations in the world will stay while discussing maternal health and development over the next three days.

POLITICS Prime Minister Stephen Harper's Conservative government wants to give Canadians more time to vote in federal elections. Steven Fletcher, minister of state for democratic reform, will re-introduce legislation today to increase the number of advance polls and expand voting hours. The Expanded Voting Opportunities Act would amend Canada's election laws by adding two more advance polling days during elections.

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But how exactly they handled their interest in the BioDryer technology, and other green projects they were dabbling with, is at the crux of the controversy surrounding the duo's company.

A would-be business associate of Jaffer's, Nazim Gillani, will weigh in Wednesday about what he knows about Jaffer's business and alleged lobbying.

He is expected to tell a House of Commons committee that he believed Jaffer was selling lobbying-type services through his firm.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Lobbying act

• Two important areas of the Lobbying Act are at play. In one section, the act says if you communicate with public office holders about the "awarding of any grant, contribution, or other financial benefit" by the federal government, you're lobbying. But in another area, the act also says you're not lobbying if you're making general inquiries about the terms of conditions of programs and application processes.

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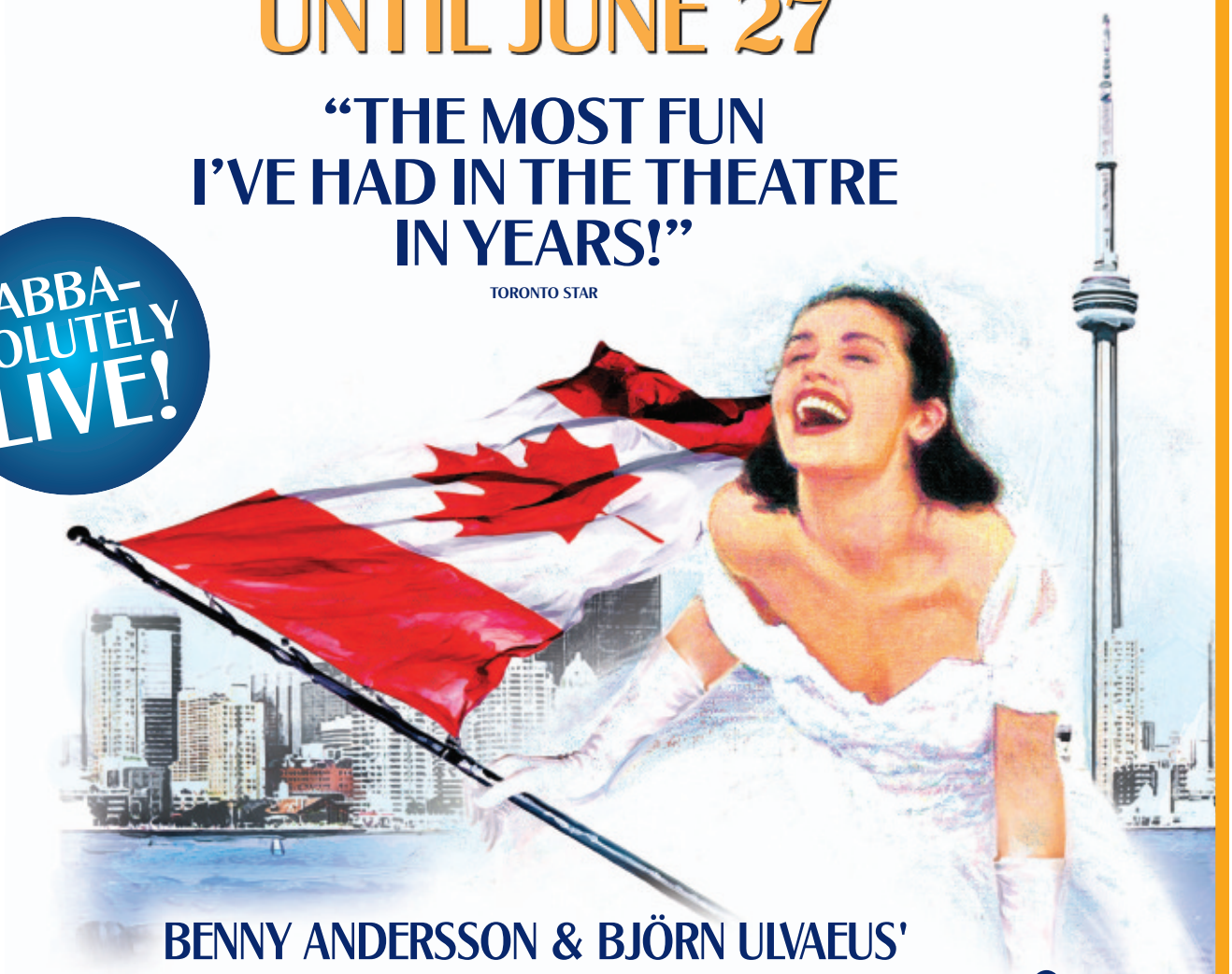

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Federal investigator begins looking into Friday's fatal water-bomber crash

Michael Cunningham, an investigator with the Transportation Safety Board of Canada, has started into the fatal crash of a water bomber in northern New Brunswick. The crash of the Forest Protection Ltd. aircraft occurred Friday not long after it took off in northern New Brunswick, resulting in the death of the pilot. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Charest working overtime

Quebec Premier Jean Charest took the unusual step of holding a cabinet meeting yesterday in an effort to refocus a government embroiled in a series of controversies over influence-peddling.

The meeting took place amid rumours of an impending cabinet shuffle but was explicitly held to map out how the government would achieve spending cuts promised in last month's budget.

The financial plan calls for the government to balance its budget by 2014, which would entail $5.2 billion worth of spending cuts.

Finance Minister Raymond Bachand has promised the government will shoulder more than 60 per cent of the burden through cutbacks, while also raising revenues through a series of tax and fee hikes, including a $200 annual health deductible.

Bachand said if Quebecers were skeptical about the government's ability to reduce spending it was because the budget didn't contain any drastic measures.

"They'll probably believe it when they see the numbers in six or 12 months," he said before going into the meeting.

But Bachand claimed 18 ministries had reduced spending growth to zero this year.

"That's major," he said. "Unfortunately, it's not spectacular."

Charest's government has been distracted from selling the merits of its budget as it tries to quell a number of simmering scandals.

Principal among these are the allegations by former justice minister Marc Bellemare that Liberal fundraisers had a say in nominating provincial judges.

That prompted Charest to call a public inquiry into the matter.

The premier also faces almost daily questioning about his party's ties to the construction industry and the government's allocation of subsidized daycare spots, which the opposition claims tends to favour Liberal donors.

Several recent polls have shown the government's approval ratings are at rock bottom. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Quebec Premier Jean Charest leaves a news conference yesterday following a special cabinet meeting at the legislature in Quebec City. Behind are Treasury Board president Monique Gagnon-Tremblay and Finance Minister Raymond Bachand.

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Cheeky Vancouver women prepare to bare

DEMONSTRATION Up to 100 women are expected to show off their cleavage outside the Vancouver Art Gallery today for Boobquake, a cheeky international event celebrating our right to immodesty.

Boobquake was launched last week by an Indiana student, Jennifer McCreight, 22, in response to an Iranian cleric who allegedly claimed earthquakes are caused by women who dress in a suggestive manner.

"Many women who do not dress modestly ... lead young men astray, corrupt their chastity and spread adultery in society, which increases earthquakes," Hojatoleslam Kazem Sedighi told Iranian media April 16.

He is Tehran's acting Friday prayer leader.

Since then, tens of thousands of people have joined the rebuttal campaign to show some skin today, including Angela Squires, organizer of Boobquake Vancouver.

Boobquake organizer Angela Squires is conducting a scientific experiment, inviting women to the art gallery to show off some skin in an attempt to provoke seismic activity.

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Brampton Transit picking up speed

With the TTC under close scrutiny lately, I've asked 905 riders for impressions of other GTA transit systems.

Brampton's Justin Gonsalves had a comment that rings familiar: He says his complaints to Brampton Transit (BT) about unpaved bus stops and infrequent schedules "are never replied to."

I can at least report that for riders in some parts of Brampton, service is about to get significantly better. The first of several Züm routes (pronounced "zoom") is to open along Queen Street in September. It's a limited-stop bus service much like York Region's Viva.

Buses run with traffic but signal priority helps them stay on time — about every seven minutes in peak, 15 minutes off peak. Major routes that intersect with Züm will also be goosed to every 10 minutes in September. The Züm network expands to Brampton's Main Street in 2011 and Steeles Avenue in 2012.

BT director Sue Connor tells me her agency receives about 650,000 calls annually and "in 2009 we had 1,700 complaints." She says BT aims to reply — at least initially — in five working days, and she is notified of all customer issues that are not "completed" promptly. Readers, tell me if you find otherwise.

Quick tip

- The TTC's main union will hold its third public meeting May 2. For news, see wemovetoronto.ca.

Connor says being bypassed by a bus is a top grievance. (That's also true at TTC.) This September, GPS technology should help Brampton Transit prove to callers whether a vehicle was ahead of time or not, or if it was in fact the one they wanted.

More crucially, BT riders can expect many new "SmartBus" features to predict when their next bus should actually arrive — via both computer and handheld devices. Also this fall, the Presto fare card comes to Brampton Transit. All these initiatives ought to boost what is an already fast-growing suburban system.

But typical low-density problems remain: Some routes still see buses only every 30 minutes. Plus, only half of BT's 2,260 stops have concrete pads and there are currently just 380 shelters. That can mean mud and/or unpleasant waits in many areas.

Local transit riders in Mississauga, Oakville, Burlington and Durham: I'd like to hear from you next.

Toronto-based transport writer Ed Drass covers transit issues every Monday; transit@eddrass.com.

Worth mentioning

Film sets are wasteful places, actor says

It's not easy being green on a film set, says Colin Firth.

"It's a wasteful place," admits the Oscar-nominated actor.

"It is not ... because film people are free of conscience and they don't care about the planet. It's a very panic-stricken environment a lot of the time."

Firth says there are people in the film industry who will do anything to get a take on time.

"You get directors who say, 'Make the kid cry, get the scene right,'" he says with a laugh. "Things get wasted, thrown away, replaced. Whole sets go to landfill. Food gets laid out for the banquet scene and sprayed so it looks good but you can't touch it or eat it.

"The waste (even) to people who have no environmental conscience at all is pretty staggering to witness."

Firth was in Toronto over the weekend to accept an award, with his brother-in-law, for his support of the environment.

They received the inaugural International Entertainment Award award from the Green Living/Environmental Media Association at the Green Living show, attracting a large crowd of environmental enthusiasts and Firth fans.

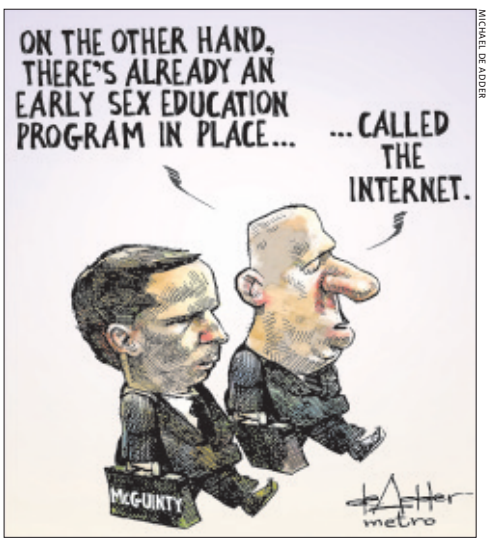
The Environmental Media Association is trying to mobilize the entertainment industry to educate people about environmental issues and inspire them to take action.

The association invented the concept of the "green carpet," the idea of taking a hybrid or alternative fuel vehicle, not a limo, to high-profile awards events.

Firth, his wife Livia, and her brother Nicola Giuggioli co-founded Eco Age in 2007, a London-based store that sells environmentally sensible products and offers consulting support to businesses on how to operate in a green way.

Accompanied by his famous brother-in-law, Giuggioli said in an interview that one of his goals is to show others that it is possible to run both a financially and environmentally sound business.

"You can do it and actually it is going to work pretty well," said Giuggioli, who was 25 when he began his business. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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80 schoolgirls fall ill in Afghanistan

Dozens of Afghan schoolgirls have fallen ill in recent days after reporting a strange odour in their classrooms in northern Afghanistan, prompting an investigation into whether they were targeted by militants.

Either way, the reports from three schools within three kilometres of one another in Kunduz province have raised alarm in a city threatened by the Taliban and its militant allies.

The latest cases occurred yesterday, when 13 girls became sick, Kunduz provincial spokesman Mahbobullah Sayedi said. Another 47 complained of dizziness and nausea the day before, and 23 fell ill last Wednesday.

All complained of a strange smell in class before they fell ill.

"I came out from the main hall, and I saw lots of other girls scattered everywhere," Anesa, a nine-year-old who was hospitalized briefly yesterday, told The Associated Press. "Then suddenly, I felt that I was losing my balance and falling."

None of the illnesses was serious and the girls were only hospitalized for a short time. The Health Ministry said blood samples were inconclusive and were being sent to Kabul for further testing.

"This is a matter of concern not only for us but for the families," Sayedi said, blaming the sicknesses on "enemies" who oppose education for girls.

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Camp Obama and Camp Corail highlight successes and failures of Haiti quake relief.

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New Hampshire **Not-so-high horse**

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Dr. Rachel Wagner holds a ruler next to her three-day-old pinto stallion, named Einstein, yesterday in Barnstead, N.H. The diminutive horse could lay claim to the world record for the most lightweight foal, weighing six pounds and measuring 14 inches in height at birth.

British gov't apologizes to Vatican over offensive memo

LONDON Britain's Foreign Office issued a hasty apology yesterday to Pope Benedict after publication of an internal memo in which officials joked he could open an abortion clinic, launch a range of condoms or sing a duet with the Queen during a visit in September.

The document, sections of which were published in the Sunday Telegraph newspaper, also proposed the Pope could bless a gay marriage, and acknowledge the clerical sex abuse scandal by establishing a hotline for abused children, or honouring abuse whistleblowers.

Junior officials wrote the memo following a brainstorming session intended to discuss ideas for the visit, the first to Britain by the head of the Roman Catholic Church since pope John Paul in 1982.

Though some included advice for Britain's government on approaching the scandal, the ministry condemned many proposals as "ill-judged, naive and disrespectful."

Britain's ambassador to the Vatican, Francis Campbell, met senior Vatican officials to offer a formal apology. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

TRAVEL Most tourists stranded by the volcanic ash crisis will be home by today although thousands could be stuck for nearly another week, European airlines and government officials said. A week of airspace closures caused by ash spewed by Iceland's Eyjafjallajokull volcano prompted the worst breakdown in civil aviation in Europe since the Second World War, with about 100,000 flights cancelled. About 100,000 stranded British travellers should have returned home by this morning, said ABTA, which represents Britain's travel agents.

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Centre-right party wins majority in Hungary
Hungary's centre-right Fidesz party, led by Viktor Orban, won a two-thirds parliamentary majority yesterday, the National Election Office said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Immigration battle

Thousands of protesters descended on Arizona's Capitol yesterday to rally against a tough new immigration law they say will lead to police harassment of legal immigrants and U.S. citizens who look Hispanic.

Civil rights advocates have vowed to challenge the law in court, saying it would undoubtedly lead to racial profiling. The Rev. Al Sharpton said that just as freedom riders battled segregation in the South in the 1960s, he would organize "freedom walkers" to challenge the Arizona bill.

"We will go to Arizona when this bill goes into effect and walk the streets with people who refuse to give identification and force arrest," Sharpton said yesterday in New York.

Gov. Jan Brewer signed the bill into law Friday. It requires police to question people about their immigration status — including asking for identification — if they suspect someone is in the country illegally. The law also toughens restrictions on hiring illegal immigrants for day labour and knowingly transporting them.

Supporters have dismissed concerns of racial profiling, saying the law prohibits the use of race or nationality as the sole basis for an immigration check.

Brewer has ordered state officials to develop a training course for officers to learn what constitutes reasonable suspicion someone is in the U.S. illegally.

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Jerusalem **Between a rock and a hard place**

SEBASTIAN SCHEINER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Palestinian protesters burn tires and garbage, and throw rocks and firebombs at Israeli police as ultranationalist Jews, carrying Israeli flags, marched through the Jerusalem neighbourhood of Silwan yesterday to dramatize their claims to the eastern sector of the contested holy city.

No end in sight for standoff in Thailand

PROTESTS Thai protesters occupying parts of Bangkok to press their demands for new elections vowed yesterday to fight on following a breakdown of negotiations and a televised appearance by the prime minister that offered no solution to the protracted, sometimes bloody crisis.

The so-called Red Shirts urged their supporters in provincial areas to confront the security forces, and many of them began setting up roadblocks outside Bangkok to prevent police reinforcements from entering the city.

Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva spoke in a nationally televised interview yesterday, a day after rejecting a compromise offer by the Red Shirts — who say the current government is illegitimate — dashing hopes for a peaceful end to the standoff. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

MINES U.S. President Barack Obama yesterday offered words of praise for victims of the worst U.S. mining disaster in a generation, words of solace for their families and words of hope to miners that he will make their jobs safer. Obama planned to speak at a memorial service yesterday afternoon in Beckley, W. Va., for the 29 victims of the April 5 explosion at the mine in nearby Montcoal owned by Massey Energy Co. "We cannot bring back the 29 men we lost. They are with the Lord now," Obama said. "Our task, here on Earth, is to save lives from being lost in another such tragedy."

VENEZUELA Opponents of President Hugo Chavez held primaries yesterday to pick candidates for upcoming congressional elections, a crucial step for Venezuela's opposition as it seeks a unified platform capable of winning the September vote. The primaries are part of the opposition's effort to field a single candidate for each the 165 National Assembly seats up for grabs. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Lethal balloon crash in United Arab Emirates
A hot air balloon carrying 14 people crashed early yesterday in the desert south of Dubai, killing at least two. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mississippi **Picking up the pieces**

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Several tornadoes blew through Misssissippi Saturday, causing widespread destruction and multiple deaths. One tornado destroyed the Hillcrest Baptist Church in Yazoo City, Miss. Church member Carolyn Porter, above, was one of the church's members who held a brief morning service yesterday before searching through the rubble for Bibles, hymnals and other materials.

Veil arrest stokes French controversy

She was fined for driving a car with a veil covering all but her eyes. Now, her husband is suspected of polygamy.

The situation appears to be a boon to French President Nicolas Sarkozy, who is trying to rush through controversial legislation forbidding burqa-style Islamic veils that cover the face on the grounds they don't respect French values or women's dignity. But it has stoked debate and might backfire on legal grounds.

Many Muslims fear a law banning face-covering veils because they say targeting the tiny minority of women who cover their faces stigmatizes France's entire Muslim community — at an estimated five million people, the largest in western Europe.

The revelation last week that a police officer cited a 31-year-old woman in Nantes for driving with apparel that hinders vision provided a taste of what's in store for France if a measure banning face-covering veils is passed, as expected.

The veiled woman, who has not been identified by name, decided to contest her $29 US fine after being cited in early April for wearing a "niqab" that covers all but the eyes — thrusting the case into the national spotlight.

The affair took a twist Friday when Interior Minister Brice Hortefeux asked for an investigation of the woman's husband based on suspicions he is married to at least three other women — and allegedly profiting from state subsidies for single women provided to each of the wives.

If true, Hortefeux wants the French citizenship of the husband, born in Algeria, revoked.

The probe will determine whether the man was married to four women in French civil ceremonies, which would be highly unlikely.

The timing could not have been better for Sarkozy, who has striven to revive what he says is a loss of basic French values and who portrays himself as a friend of victims — in this case women he claims are forced by husbands to cover their faces. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Officials order mayor to resign

CHINA Local officials in northeastern China have ordered the mayor of a small city to resign after he ignored scores of villagers who knelt in front of government offices to appeal for an investigation into official corruption, state media said yesterday. On Saturday, the Dalian city government ordered the mayor of Zhuanghe city to resign for his "mismanagement" of the April 13 incident, according to the website of the People's Daily, the Communist Party newspaper. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

SOUTH KOREA An explosion caused by a torpedo likely tore apart and sank a South Korean warship near the North Korean border, Seoul's defence minister said yesterday, while declining to assign blame for the blast as suspicion increasingly falls on Pyongyang.

CUBA Cuba held municipal elections across the island yesterday, which the government says belies criticism that Fidel Castro's half-century old revolution is not democratic. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Going Green

It's a toxic life

The book Slow Death by Rubber Duck is a brief adventure by two researchers who, in planned self-toxification, led environmental professionals to conclude that pollution is now so pervasive that it's become a marinade in which we bathe every day. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Eco heroes honoured

Green Toronto awards handed out

The diversity of the city was on full display Friday night as the Green Toronto awards were handed out at the Green Living trade show.

The winners represented a wide variety of communities and backgrounds, but they spoke to a common goal of Torontonians, according to Mayor David Miller, who was on hand for the presentation.

"Torontonians have told us time and time again that they care about the environment and want to make a difference — and they are," the mayor said. "The Green Toronto Awards allow us to acknowledge their tremendous efforts while inspiring others to make Toronto the greenest and most sustainable city in the world."

Jane Finch Community and Family Centre assistant to the executive director Rosemarie Powell said that she was inspired by the unifying nature of environmental issues. The centre won the award for top community project for its Green Change Project

The project aims to educate residents of Jane Finch about environmental issues. Armed with that knowledge, Powell says that residents feel empowered to reach out to others in the community to share what they know. True change comes from that type of grassroots effort, Powell says.

She says her group has received support from a wide spectrum of the community, including organizations in the Jane Finch area that don't typically get involved in community projects.

"We planted the seed," she said. "It unifies a diverse group of people and organizations."

Powell says the award further legitimizes the centre's efforts in the eyes of potential supporters and donors.

Earth Rangers executive director Peter Kendall backs up that claim.

His organization, which educates school-aged children about issues of biodiversity and habitat loss, won for environmental awareness. He says he recognizes such awards come with deep benefits.

"Our IT department won an international award last week for having the greenest IT systems," he said. "They've been walking on cloud nine since.

"Winning awards tells our staff that what they do is valued and appreciated. That's important."

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The winners

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Earth Rangers Peter Kendall with Cosmo the lemur. The organization won a Green Toronto award for environmental awareness.

Cosmo the ring-tailed lemur.

Many wine makers are making efforts to grow their grapes using environmentally responsible and sustainable methods.

Let's drink to the salt of the earth

Wine can make people think of a lot of different things, especially good food, good friends and good times. Increasingly you can add another good to the list — good environmental stewardship.

Organic wines, which avoid the use of pesticides in grapes and is produced by utilizing sustainable farming practices, is becoming a more frequent presence on Canadian liquor store shelves.

The environmentally conscious consumer does not have to make a sacrifice to drink green wine. According to Hillary Dawson, president of the Wine Council of Ontario, there is no difference in taste or quality between organic and non-organic product.

Although there has been an increase in demand for organic products from consumers, Dawson says the decision to go organic goes much deeper than a business one. "It's not a need, it's a want," Dawson says. "Growing grapes requires a real deep connection to the soil."

The amount of green product available to the consumer might be even greater than it appears, according to Dawson. Although many producers utilize organic techniques

"Growing grapes requires a real deep connection to the soil."
Hillary Dawson, Wine Council of Ontario

to make their wine, Dawson says that the certification process to be recognized as an organic is "onerous." As a result, a lot of farmers don't bother.

"There are a million ways to show that you are sustainable," Dawson says. "I'm just proud that our producers are doing what they can to practice in ways that will ensure the long-term sustainability of the industry."

However, one winemaker that has gone through the process of organic certification says that it is important to do so. Bruce Ewert is the proprietor of L'Acadie winery in Nova Scotia. He says that there is only one way that consumers can be sure that they are getting an organic product — look on the label for certification.

"With marketing you can say anything," Ewert says. "When you put it on the label you know that a third party has been involved. It gives it credibility. "

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Fuelling food crisis

JOSEFINA SALOMON
Metro World News

The increasing use of biofuels could drive millions of people in the developing world deeper into poverty and hunger, warns a leading humanitarian organization.

London-based charity Action Aid voiced criticism that vast fields in Africa, South America and India are currently dedicated to the production of biofuel crops such as wheat and corn, instead of food for local communities, leaving thousands at risk of starvation.

Tim Rice, Action Aid's biofuels advisor and author of a recent report on its impact in the developing world, said: "As you put more and more maize and wheat into the biofuel chain, food prices are going up. We anticipate that if biofuels continue on their current path to 2020, this could drive hundreds of millions of more people into hunger."

The activists also question the effectiveness of biofuels to combat climate change. They say fertilizers used to grow the crops release large amounts of nitrous oxide, a gas 300 times stronger than carbon dioxide. "There are quicker, better and cheaper ways to reduce our fuel consumption than biofuels: reduce consumption, double efficiency of cars and reduce speed limits," Rice said.

London-based charity Action Aid says that vast fields in Africa, South America and India are being dedicated to the production of biofuel crops.

Biofuels are a form of oil produced from plants, vegetable oils and treated waste. Most of the wheat and maize grown across Africa and South America is destined for the European Union, which has set targets for a four-fold increase in the consumption of the green oil by 2020.

Raju Sona, from India, is one of the people Action Aid describes as victims of the "biofuel craze."

Two years ago, a biofuel company gave Sona jatropha plants for him to grow instead of food.

He was told he would make a profitable business but the yield was too low, leaving him with a field full of useless jatropha saplings and no way to produce food for his family. He has since started growing food again.

"We were buying everything at that time," Sona said.

"Vegetables are very expensive. Now we can save money with all the things we grow – this is good land for growing ginger, onions and garlic."

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Israel has ended its ban on Apple's iPad tablet computer, imposed over concerns its wireless signal could be disruptive. Israel's Communications Ministry says that after a technical review, officials have decided to allow the popular device into the country. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Beijing **Auto show-manship**

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Dancers, some inside a balloon, perform at the Beijing Auto China 2010 yesterday in Beijing. Chinese automakers announced ambitious plans to expand abroad as global producers unveiled new models at the Beijing auto show aimed at boosting sales in China's fast-growing market.

Goldman employees in trouble over emails

As the U.S. housing market turned downward in January 2007, a Goldman Sachs trader wrote in emails to a woman he apparently was courting that investments he had sold were "like Frankenstein turning against his own inventor."

"I'm trading a product which a month ago was worth $100 US and today is only worth $93," wrote Fabrice Tourre, who was charged along with the bank in a civil complaint filed this month by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. "That doesn't seem like a lot but when you take into account ... (the investments) are worth billions, well it adds up to a lot of money."

Tourre was talking about investment products like the one at the heart of a federal complaint against his firm. For Tourre, the investments were like an invention gone awry: He had started arranging them when the market was on the upswing. But he continued selling them after the market turned — now with Goldman betting against them, in one case allegedly misleading investors about a deal's origin.

Goldman Sachs CEO Lloyd Blankfein

Goldman Sachs Group Inc. released that email and 25 other internal documents Saturday in response to a U.S. Senate panel's release of messages in which Goldman executives boast about money they were making as the market imploded later in 2007.

When credit rating agencies downgraded many billions of dollars of mortgage-backed investments in October 2007, Goldman executive Donald Mullen was unabashedly pleased.

"Sounds like we will make serious money," Mullen wrote to Michael Swenson, another executive, in one of the emails released by the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations.

Goldman has argued vehemently it did not profit from the mortgage meltdown.

Swenson and Tourre, along with Goldman CEO Lloyd Blankfein, will face a public grilling on Capitol Hill tomorrow from the subcommittee.

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Corporate Canada poised for strong growth

REBOUND Earnings from more than one-quarter of Canada's blue chip companies will be released in the coming week, painting a picture of corporate Canada's rebound from the depths of the recession last year.

CIBC economist Peter Buchanan is predicting 45 per cent year-over-year growth with the materials and financial sectors leading the way, based on a compilation of analyst estimates.

"It's consistent with some of the other (economic) indicators that Canada's recovery has moved up a notch in the last quarter or so, so it's certainly a positive sign," he said.

"The underlying recovery seems to be progressing faster than the market and analysts expected." Douglas Porter, BMO

Buchanan said if companies meet analyst expectations it will be the largest year-over-year increase since the first quarter of 2003, when the economy saw a sharp recovery.

But, he cautioned, the results will benefit from extremely weak year-ago results.

First-quarter earnings reported so far have "absolutely burst out of the gate," said Douglas Porter, deputy chief economist at the Bank of Montreal.

"The underlying recovery seems to be progressing faster than the market and analysts expected."

He said strong earnings will increase confidence among Canadian corporations, pushing them to begin hiring again.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Learn from Greece's debt: Flaherty

IMF The financial calamity threatening Greece dominated discussions Saturday at meetings of the International Monetary Fund as some European countries expressed fears that $60 billion US in aid won't stave it off, said Canada's Jim Flaherty.

Fresh off winning his battle against a global bank tax advocated by the IMF, Flaherty sat down with Canadian media to say the situation in Greece serves as a warning to countries like the U.S. and Great Britain on the dangers of running astronomically high deficits. "The crisis in Greece focuses the mind," Flaherty said, adding some countries have "too much optimism" in their economic forecasts and need to deal realistically with their debt problems. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Business in brief

NATURAL GAS Lying on Canada's East Coast, it's said to be one of the world's most productive fishing areas. It's also a critical habitat for rare and endangered species of whales and turtles that migrate through its nutrient-rich waters. But Georges Bank, a vast stretch of sea floor that could be home to natural gas reserves, is at the centre of a divided debate over whether a moratorium that has shielded it from oil and gas exploration for years should be lifted. The Nova Scotia provincial government has to decide by June 1 whether to launch a review of the moratorium.

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No agreement on bank tax
G20 leaders failed to agree on the idea of a global bank tax Friday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Confusion over new tax lingers

Buy big now, consumers urged

In the market for a gym membership or a new car? Pondering the purchase of a new bike or a bigger house?

Better buy post-haste, say advertisers hoping to cash in on the harmonized sales tax that takes effect July 1 in Ontario and British Columbia.

The looming HST has given rise to some innovative marketing, and experts say it's likely to boost sales in the next couple of months, even though it's still far from certain which items will actually jump in price.

"We think consumers are still totally confused," said Vancouver-based Bruce Cran, president of the Consumers' Association of Canada.

"There isn't any reliable source of information for us to make our decisions on."

Purchasers of homes costing more than $525,000 will definitely be hit with tax hikes, there's no definitive list of what else will cost consumers more. The tally for services like hair cuts, accounting and funerals will likely rise, but it's unclear if goods like furniture and electronics will go up, down or stay the same.

"We think consumers are still totally confused."
Bruce Cran, consumer advocate

HST-backers suggest retailers should be able to actually lower prices once the provincial sales tax they now pay out is no longer in effect, and they pass along the savings.

One company advises the public can save money by pre-purchasing season tickets to the theatre before it's required to start collecting HST.

"It's expected businesses would promote those types of sales," said Tatiana Chabeaux-Smith, a spokeswoman at Consumer Protection B.C. "There doesn't seem to be anything deceptive — it's a sales tactic."

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Democrats pessimistic about finance reform bill

VOTE The U.S. Senate's top negotiators on financial overhaul legislation said yesterday they were not optimistic about striking a bipartisan agreement on key features of the sweeping bill before a showdown vote today.

Sen. Richard Shelby, the top Republican on the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee, predicted all 41 Republican senators would vote to delay the start of debate, unless continuing weekend talks led to a deal.

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell said he didn't expect the bill, as drafted by Democratic Sen. Chris Dodd, the chairman of the committee, would go forward.

So close

- Sixty votes are needed to begin debate on the bill — there are 59 Democrats and Democrat-allied independents.

"We want to make sure that they don't have the same kind of approach on financial services that they did on health care," McConnell, R-Ky., said on Fox News yesterday.

Dodd said he hoped at least one or two Republicans would vote with Democrats on beginning debate. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Business in brief

ENVIRONMENT An Alberta First Nation and environmental advocate hopes he has convinced Avatar director James Cameron to see the effects of the province's oilsands industry — what he calls "devastation" — first-hand. George Poitras said he had a personal meeting with Cameron in the director's hotel room in New York City Saturday.
THE CANADIAN PRESS

More vehicle recalls for Toyota

AUTOS Toyota's subsidiary in Brazil has agreed to recall an unspecified number of Corollas due to the risk of sudden acceleration, the Justice Ministry announced. Toyota do Brasil Ltda. will recall all vehicles made in Brazil since April 2008 and will fix loose floor mats.
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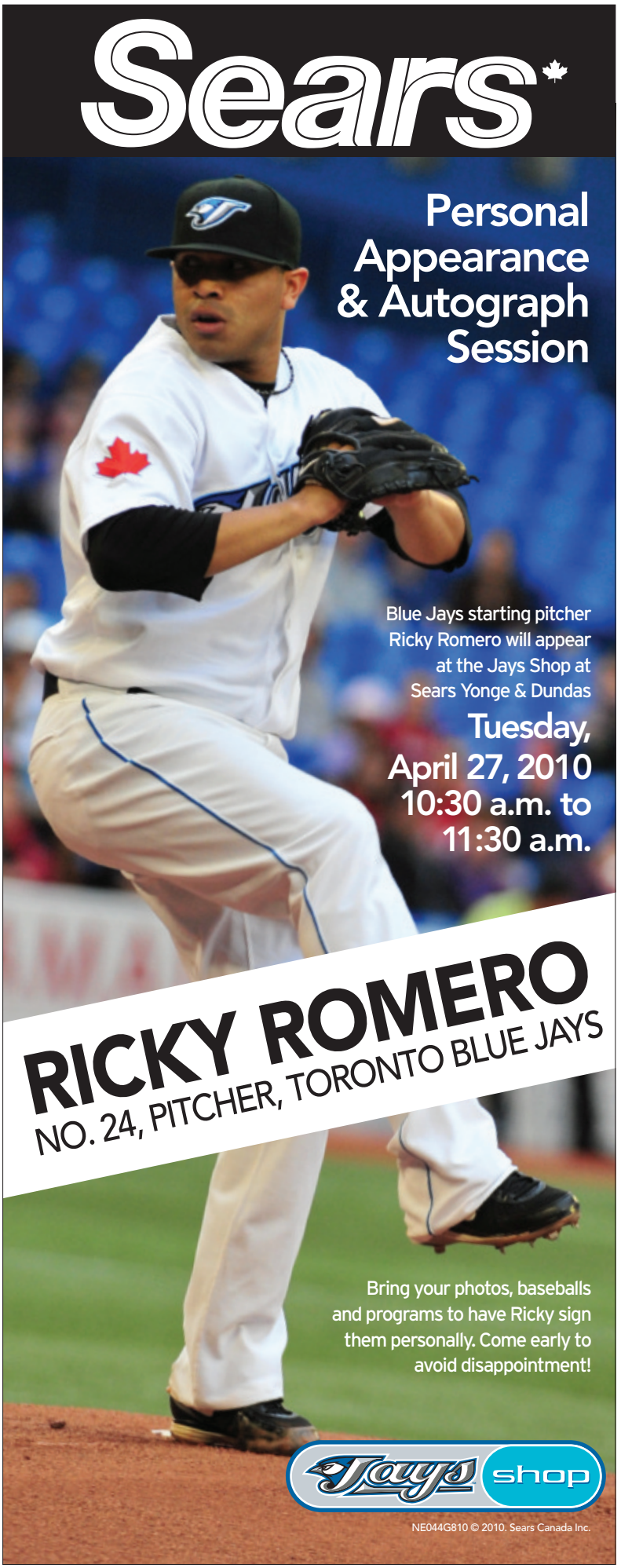

No suspension for Hossa

Marian Hossa will be in Chicago's lineup for Game 6 against Nashville tonight. The Blackhawks forward learned yesterday that he would not be suspended for his hit on Predators defenceman Dan Hamhuis late in Game 5. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sports

Decision left to Vanek

Buffalo Sabres coach Lindy Ruff has left the decision with leading scorer Thomas Vanek, left, to determine whether his sore left ankle is strong enough to play in Game 6 of the team's first-round playoff series at Boston tonight. "He's close now. It's his decision whether he can play or not," Ruff said yesterday after Vanek took part in his second straight day of practice after missing the past three games. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Phoenix Coyote Keith Yandle fights with Detroit Red Wing Justin Abdelkader yesterday during NHL playoff action in Detroit.

Special teams play helps Coyotes force Game 7

(Series tied 3-3)

Coyotes 5 **Red Wings** 2

VS

The Phoenix Coyotes were at their best when they were up or down a skater, or two, and that gave them a chance to survive for at least one more game.

Phoenix scored its first three goals on special teams and Ilya Bryzgalov made 31 saves in a 5-2 win over Detroit yesterday that forced Game 7 in the first-round series.

"They won the special teams battle," Red Wings coach Mike Babcock said. "That sucked the life out of our team."

Phoenix will host the final game against Detroit tomorrow night.

"Any time you can play in a Game 7, it's a game you'll remember," Coyotes coach Dave Tippett said.

Detroit would love to forget how Game 6 started.

The Coyotes were called for three penalties in the first 4:42 — including a pair that put them down two skaters for 1:09 — but they were the only team to score in the opening period.

Detroit defenceman Brad Stuart nonchalantly carried the puck out of his end, Lauri Korpikoski snatched it and scored a short-handed goal 4:10 in to spark the win.

"My fault," Stuart said.

Mathieu Schneider snapped the Coyotes' 0-for-19 skid on the power play with a goal early in the second for a 2-0 lead, and Radim Vrbata scored with the man advantage midway through the period to restore the two-goal edge.

"I don't want to say we solved it," Schneider said. "It worked for tonight."

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Price tags Blue Jays

Tampa pitcher throws four-hitter as Rays win

MLB RESULTS

Blue Jays 0 **Rays** 6

VS

David Price finally got to finish what he started.

Price threw a four-hitter, John Jaso and Jason Bartlett had two RBIs apiece and the Rays beat Toronto 6-0 yesterday.

"I've always believed that when a young pitcher can throw a complete game shutout it does do something for their confidence," Tampa Bay manager Joe Maddon said. "And to do it in a minimal number of pitches like that, 108, that's really good also. I just think it's a carry-over kind of thing."

Price (3-1) struck out nine and walked one in his first complete game. He improved to 9-1 in his career against the AL East.

"He probably pitched the best against us (this season)," Blue Jays manager Cito Gaston said. "He threw strikes. He kept the guys off balance. He just had good stuff."

It was Price's first start since lasting just five-plus innings in a 4-1 loss to the Chicago White Sox last Tuesday.

"Now I know what it takes," Price said. "I've been there and I've done that now. I've got that first little taste in my mouth. Now I want more. On this staff, five or six innings isn't enough. We want to go seven, eight or nine, and that's what these guys have been doing all year."

Carlos Pena opened the fifth by drawing Tampa Bay's sixth walk off Brandon Morrow (1-2) and then went to third when B.J. Upton got the Rays' first hit, a double to right. After Pat Burrell struck out, Jaso hit a two-run single.

Pena added a run-scoring double and Bartlett drove in a pair with a double during the Rays' four-run eighth as Tampa Bay took two of three in winning its ninth straight home series against the Blue Jays. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Tampa Bay Rays second baseman Sean Rodriguez watches his throw to first over Toronto Blue Jay Jose Molina to complete a double play on John McDonald yesterday in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Hechavarria works out with Jays

• Cuban shortstop prospect Adeiny Hechavarria worked out with Blue Jays before the game. The 21-year-old is playing with Toronto's extended spring training team.

Sports in brief

SOCCER Salomon Kalou scored three goals and Frank Lampard added two as Chelsea beat Stoke 7-0 to stay a point ahead of Manchester United in the Premier League title race yesterday. Chelsea has 80 points and United 79 going into their last two games of the season.

BASEBALL Seattle Mariners left-hander Cliff Lee tossed six shutout innings in a rehab start for triple-A Tacoma yesterday. Lee, working his way back into shape after straining his abdomen during spring training, allowed three hits, struck out four and walked none against Salt Lake. He threw 68 pitches.

HORSE RACING Likely Kentucky Derby favourite Eskendereya is out of the Run for the Roses. Trainer Todd Pletcher said he's pulling the three-year-old colt out of next weekend's Derby due to an "issue" in the horse's left front leg. Eskendereya stamped himself as the horse to beat after winning the Fountain of Youth and the Wood Memorial by a combined 18½ lengths. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SCOREBOARD

NHL PLAYOFFS

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

Phoenix 5 Detroit 2 (Series tied 3-3)
Vancouver at Los Angeles

NBA PLAYOFFS

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

Cleveland 121 Chicago 98 (Cleveland leads series 3-1)
Miami 101 Boston 92 (Boston leads series 3-1)
Dallas San Antonio 92 89 (San Antonio leads series 3-1)
Denver at Utah

BASEBALL

SUNDAY'S AL RESULTS

Tampa Bay 6 TORONTO 0
Baltimore 7 Boston 6 (10 ings)
Chicago White Sox 3 Seattle 2
Kansas City 4 Minnesota 3
L.A. Angels 8 N.Y. Yankees 4
Oakland 11 Cleveland 0
Texas 8 Detroit 4

SUNDAY'S NL RESULTS

Arizona 8 Philadelphia 6
Chicago Cubs 12 Milwaukee 2
Cincinnati 5 San Diego 4
Colorado 8 Florida 4
Houston 10 Pittsburgh 3
St. Louis 2 San Francisco 0
Washington 1 L.A. Dodgers 0
Atlanta at N.Y. Mets

MLS

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

TORONTO 2 Seattle 0

Pitcher hit by ball released from hospital

Pittsburgh Pirates pitcher Chris Jakubauskas was released from a Houston hospital and was to fly with his team to Milwaukee yesterday, a day after he was struck in the head by a line drive. Jakubauskas was placed on the 15-day disabled list with a concussion. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Seattle Sounders' Osvaldo Alonso and Toronto FC's Julian de Guzman battle for the ball yesterday at BMO Field.

De Rosario shines in win

MLS RESULTS

Sounders 0 TFC 2

VS

Dwayne De Rosario was clicking something into the keypad of his wireless device before he disappeared into another room. Without being asked, he turned down the stereo that had been blasting after a workmanlike victory by Toronto FC, returning to the dressing room to perform yet another task by meeting with reporters.

It seemed like the team captain had done everything all afternoon, scoring one goal and assisting on another to lift Toronto to a 2-0 win over Seattle Sounders FC yesterday. De Rosario now has five of his team's six goals this season, and was undeniably the spark for a group trying to find itself on the cold, soggy turf at BMO Field.

"Hard work definitely pays off," De Rosario said. "Thankfully, it's been working in my favour and, hopefully, it continues to go that way."

The 31-year-old's goal in the 58th minute was the first time Toronto had ever scored against Seattle, a second-year franchise with a rabid fan base and a trip to the playoffs already entered into its record book. He set up O'Brian White in the 76th minute to improve Toronto's record to 2-3 heading into a busy stretch of the schedule that will force the team to play three times in seven days. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sports in brief

NBA LeBron James had 37 points, 12 rebounds and 11 assists, Antawn Jamison added 24 points and the Cleveland Cavaliers beat the Chicago Bulls yesterday to go up 3-1 in their first-round series. The Cavaliers led by 10 at halftime after scoring 38 in the second quarter and broke it open with a 37-point third, putting them in position to close it out at home tomorrow.

NBA Dwyane Wade set franchise playoff records with 46 points, 30 in the second half, and the Miami Heat staved off elimination yesterday by beating the Boston Celtics in Game 4 of an Eastern Conference first-round series. Desperate to extend their season, the Heat opened the fourth quarter on a 25-8 run, fuelled mostly by Wade, who made 16-of-24 shots from the field, plus added five assists.

NASCAR Kevin Harvick snapped a 115-race winless streak by nipping Jamie McMurray at the finish line at Talladega Superspeedway. Harvick was in third on the final restart yesterday, and immediately hooked onto the rear of McMurray's bumper for the final two laps. McMurray, winner of this year's Daytona 500, finished second. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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B.C. college gets funding hike

The B.C. government announced it is providing the College of New Caledonia with nearly $2.7 million for equipment and start-up costs and more than $590,000 in annual funding for a new medical radiography technology diploma program. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Workology

McMaster gears up auto research

McMaster University is looking to convert part of a warehouse at its Longwood Road research park into an automotive resource centre. The institution is hoping to start a $15-million retrofit at the warehouse as early as this summer, depending on the availability of requested federal funding. Tenants in the McMaster Auto Research Centre would work directly with the $65-million CANMET materials research lab across the road. That facility is on schedule to open by October. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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A colourful way to make a living

OddJobs

When most of us see Michelle Obama in a yellow dress or watch the blue-green world of Avatar, we think: that looks cool.

Alice Chu sees next season's popular colours.

Chu was good at art as a child and worked hard to get better so she could attend university. She was born in Shanghai and moved to Taiwan with her grandparents to escape communism (her parents and sister stayed behind); getting into school was very competitive.

By the time she'd finished her degree, both her grandparents had passed away. With nothing to keep her in Asia, she went to Columbia University in New York for a masters in art. But being a fine artist wasn't for her. "I thought to myself: 'If I just paint, it's not a career that can provide me with a job and money.'"

A summer job at a graphic design firm solved that problem. After she met her husband, she moved with him to Boston, then to Montreal after he got a job at McGill University. Since graphic design work was often sporadic, she decided to do her teaching diploma at McGill in 1972.

BERNARD WEIL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Alice Chu has an eye for colours.

She began teaching in the visual arts department at Dawson's College. Then a job posting at Ryerson in 1977 caught her eye. She moved to Toronto, seeing her husband every two weeks and during the summers.

Chu was a bit unsure at first: the job was teaching basic design, but in the school of fashion.

As the years passed, Chu became increasingly interested in fashion, and in particular, colour. She observed how strong coloured, fashion-forward garments pull people into stores, but they often purchase conservatively hued pieces. She wondered about favourite colours: do people like certain colours because they're appealing, or because they look good in them.

Chu began writing about these issues and discussing them with her students. In the late 1980s, she joined Color Marketing Group. This U.S.-based non-profit has members from a range of industries, including interior design, that meet twice a year to discuss which colours are popular and to guess what will be hot in upcoming seasons.

It then publishes the group's predictions. Fabric manufacturers and paint companies then use these colour predictions to help formulate new products.

To develop her own theories of what's the next hot colour, Chu's always observing what's going on in pop culture, politics, the economy and big events. She's always looking at fashion magazines and what people are wearing when she travels.

Chu's not always spot on. She says guessing colour trends is like predicting the weather. "If you're right 80 per cent of the time, you're OK."

The Lowdown

Job title: Colour specialist
Salary: Varies
Education/training: Art background
Best Part of the Job: "I have a reason to travel."
Worst Part of the Job: "Trying to come up with the right colour."

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

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Censure on First Nations University of Canada lifted

Delegates to the Council of the Canadian Association of University Teachers have voted to lift the censure on First Nations University of Canada, with a council official saying the Saskatchewan school has made changes to deal with financial mismanagement allegations. The censure was imposed 17 months ago. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Greening up your business

Running a small business has its challenges and the importance of word-of-mouth advertising for gaining and retaining business is paramount to success. As a small business owner, you're constantly looking for simple, cost-effective ways to re-direct a few extra customers to your store.

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One way to add value is to let your customers know that you care about the environment. Along with keeping the planet clean, it may just give you that advantage over your competitors. Here are seven ways that smart shop owners can change the way they do business and better their community:

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• Encourage recycling. Make recycling convenient and easy for your staff by setting up recycling bins in accessible areas. Then buy recycled paper, ink cartridges and plastics.

• Switch to fair trade coffee in the office. Most of the coffee we drink pays coffee producers less than they deserve, with more money going to the "middlemen." Coffee growers gain 11 cents for every dollar spent on a regular cup of joe, compared with 28 cents for every dollar when you buy fair trade.

• Replace incandescent bulbs with compact fluorescent ones. Natural Resources Canada estimates that if every Canadian household replaced one incandescent bulb for a compact fluorescent, it would save more than $73 million a year on our collective energy costs — equivalent to taking 70,000 cars off the road for a year. Fluorescent bulbs not only use less energy, they last longer too.

• Carpool or allow employees to telecommute once a week. Benefits include saving on gasoline consumption, reducing stress on infrastructure, and lowering carbon emissions.

• Buy environmentally friendly cleaning products. There are many green options for cleaners, soaps, and detergents that will reduce the amount of toxic chemicals released in the atmosphere.

• Write a company green policy. Launch a green campaign to make sure everyone is on the same page. Staff will be more enthusiastic and supportive of your policy if they know how and why they're doing it.

Implementing these ideas will get your customers talking and boost morale in the office. Consult with staff and see what else they can come up with to take care of the planet.

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Create a personal brand when looking for work

Job hunting should be treated like a full-time business

MAT LECOMPTE
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A jobseeker's mentality is key to finding a job. By thinking like a business, it's possible that more businesses may come a knocking.

Jane Woolsey

A fair question is what, then, does thinking like a business require? To organizational expert and entrepreneur Jane Woolsey, it will require an organized approach and developing a brand.

"It's all about standing out," she explains. "Employers will want to investigate someone that's taken the effort to go the extra mile. If there are 100 resumes in front of an HR manager, you're going to stand out from the crowd. You've only got one chance."

Woolsey suggests those on the job hunt adopt the mantra that looking for a job is full-time work. The hunter should schedule their day in blocks, inserting time for follow-ups, resume tweaking, phone calls and looking at various resources. Scheduling time in an organizer is recommended so the hunter can have a visual reference point to guide them. Also, she says the hunter must know what kind of work they are looking for.

"If you don't have a plan, you'll be all over the place," she warns.

Organizational expert Jane Woolsey says those in the job market need to have a plan of attack.

In this market, however, she indicates that organization may not necessarily be enough. It's also important for hunters to create a personal brand.

Creating a personal brand involves consistency and personality. She says you'll want to create business cards with colours and fonts that look professional, while complimenting your personality. The colours and fonts should be consistent with the letterhead used for cover letters, resumes, envelopes and follow-up notes.

This may sound expensive, but it isn't. Stationary company Avery has put out a new DIY line that allows job seekers and small business owners to design high-quality branding tools for minimal prices. Some of the software is even free. Take a look by visiting the web site at avery.ca/diy.

As a business owner and organizational expert, Woolsey offers the following tips to help job seekers successfully land the job they're looking for:

- Change your voicemail so it sounds professional
- Crank up the privacy on your Facebook account
- Research the companies you'd like to work for
- Create folders on your computer for each company where you sent an application. Save the posting, resume and cover letter you send, as well as scheduling your post-interview follow-up.
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Helping women get to the top

Author says 'communites of support' are better than quotas to develop female leaders

KEITH CARMAN
for Metro Canada

Women may finally be climbing the corporate ladder faster and in greater numbers than ever before, but as Marcia Reynolds, Psy.D cautions, don't be a managerial lemming.

In her recent book Wander Woman: How High-Achieving Women Find Contentment And Direction (Berrett-Koehler), Reynolds points out that despite grabbing opportunity, not all of those employment acquisitions are beneficial.

"I did an informal survey with a group of professional women world-wide asking, 'Would you take a job to fill a quota?' The majority said yes, (feeling) this was the only way to make the changes to give women a voice at top levels and open doors to the women behind them," she notes. "Although many would say that this is necessary to break down the control of the male elite, would you take a position based on filling a quota? This offer doesn't sound attractive to me."

An instructional book designed to develop and assist both current and aspiring female leaders in attaining/maintaining high-profile leadership roles, Wander Woman challenges those potential allowances in an effort to help women achieve managerial status on the basis of ability, professionalism and knowledge, not genus.

To that extent, Reynolds illustrates that companies must invest in their own future by re-aligning current executive mindset; eliminate hiring to "fill allocations" and establish stronger foundations of female employees moulded into management material beforehand, not as they assume the corner office.

"If leaders don't have enough qualified women to promote, they should work on how they develop them (management training programs, working with coaches/mentors) and create corporate cultures that appeal to top female performers. This process might be slower than imposing quotas but it's likely to get more buy-in from the women themselves."

Companies need to establish strong foundations for their female employees in order to eliminate hiring to fill quotas, says the author of Wander Woman: How High-Achieving Women Find Contentment And Direction

Similarly, onus is not entirely on organizations. Those striving to take on greater leadership roles must ensure they have the skill set necessary for senior positions, lest they be seen as attaining titles they were thrust into. Such perspectives only create tougher challenges in proving merit or escaping negative, conceivably envious co-workers.

"Women have to be responsible for their own development. If their companies don't offer training and mentoring, they should seek it on their own," Reynolds asserts. "This gives them the leverage to move on to another company that will value what they have to offer while their previous companies struggle to fill in the gaps."

Essentially, Reynolds informs that promising female leaders must make two immediate commitments in order to be strong managers in the future: Ask others for guidance and work on developing personal and professional networks.

"One of the most difficult things for smart, ambitious women to admit is that they need help. However, asking for help is a sign of strength, not weakness," Reynolds concludes sagely. "As for friends, they not only open doors and provide important connections but offer emotional support when difficulties and disappointments arise."

"I call this network a woman's 'communities of support' (and) according to Malcolm Gladwell in his book Outliers, successful people need them. Not rock stars, professional athletes, software billionaires or even geniuses ever make it alone."

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More Monsters
Pixar's 2001 film Monsters Inc., a film about monsters who scare kids for a living, is to have a sequel, the Disney studio has announced. The animated followup will be released in November 2012. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Entertainment

Healthy Hall
Dexter star Michael C. Hall has recovered from cancer and has returned to work, reports his wife Jennifer Carpenter. Hall announced in January he had been diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Eddie Izzard exposed

British stand-up comedian brings Stripped tour to Canada

KEITH CARMAN
for Metro Canada

In his high-heels, lipstick and earrings, there's no mistaking Eddie Izzard.

Yes, the 42-year-old British stand-up comedian is a transvestite, an issue he's addressed many times during various performances. Discerning between types of cross-dressers ("weirdo" versus "executive") and asserting that many men in women's clothing are in fact heterosexual, after 20 years as a comic, film and television star, Izzard is well beyond justifying his looks.

Not that it matters anyway. Slick, self-assured and quite intellectual, as Izzard delves into his shows, the initially shocking visual aspect quickly evaporates as one becomes enraptured in his alluring ability to regale with engaging tales steeped in history and hilarity.

"I always say I talk about everything there ever was ... with gaps," he smiles, referring to his penchant for relaying factual situations with a humorous twist. "(Comics) have to talk about something and if you have no point of view on anything, you end up doing dick jokes or mother in-law jokes which is incredibly boring. You have the pressure of talking about something but if you can articulate a point of view, you can talk about absolutely anything. I discovered history which was waiting to be used."

"I ad-lib as much as I can in every show (but) this show is well up to speed. I've performed in about 40 or 50 arenas so far, so Canada's getting it when it's in good shape ... I'm ready to talk more rubbish."
Eddie Izzard

Taking that modus to its extreme on his latest tour dubbed Stripped, Izzard reveals plans to discuss everything from God — or the lack thereof — to old people dying in their beds, Greeks and Romans, Egyptians, cavemen and more. He notes that the show is yet another wealth of information delivered with sincerity, brevity and most importantly, humour.

"I saw a professor lecture on a subject that I'm interested in and it was incredibly boring. There was too much detail and it was monotone. I break it down: 'There were these people and they were f—ed up. Then these people came along and they were really f—ed up.' I cut it down and make it more street-accessible. Hopefully I'm not offering lessons so much as observations, though."

Still, as any devout Izzard fan knows, despite a general outline, there's always the potential for Stripped to careen off the rails nightly. Continually succumbing to his own tangents and affection for improvisation, Izzard often becomes so caught up in entertaining unscripted tales he becomes lost. "Where was I?" is as much a fixture of Eddie Izzard shows as his shocking appearance. At that, Izzard reveals that even with a host of items to discuss on Stripped's Canadian stint, he can't be sure exactly where it will go.

"Anyone gets bored with doing the same thing over and over again so I ad-lib as much as I can in every show (but) this show is well up to speed. I've performed in about 40 or 50 arenas so far, so Canada's getting it when it's in good shape ... I'm ready to talk more rubbish."

British stand-up comedian and noted transvestite, Eddie Izzard.

Eddie Izzard live

- Eddie Izzard performs at Massey Hall Friday & Saturday and then returns for a pair of shows on May 30 & 31.

Ballsy move to raise testicular cancer awareness

HEALTH A young Nova Scotia-born filmmaker and photographer is preparing for an epic personal journey across North America, pushing a seven-foot rubber ball ahead of him to bring attention to testicular cancer.

"I've always had big ideas and been kind of out there," said Thomas Cantley, who got the diagnosis last year that would make most men cringe.

"Everyone's always told me I was ballsy even before I got this," he said following recent surgeries to remove his left testicle and several lymph nodes.

Cantley, who now calls New York City home, plans to create a documentary called Ballsy out of his travels, interviewing health care professionals and cancer survivors along the way.

"I'm 27. I never even had a cavity. I've always been healthy, then I'm told I have testicular cancer," he said. "It didn't really even hit me at first."

Cantley said he'd been in pain for months before he decided to seek medical help last fall.

"I want to create a movement for men's health because men just don't go to the doctor as often as they should."

His testicle was removed in New York but the lymph node surgery was done when he returned home to Nova Scotia.

The Vancouver Film School graduate said he wanted something therapeutic to keep him focused through the ordeal so he decided to shoot his surgery.

"I'm 27. I never even had a cavity. I've always been healthy, then I'm told I have testicular cancer ... It didn't really even hit me at first."
Thomas Cantley

The idea for the Ballsy project began taking shape as he lay in recovery and had a chance to talk to a 17-year-old boy who was just about to undergo the same surgery.

"I had no idea. He just really impacted me. Before I got testicular cancer I had no idea about this. It turned into a personal project to create awareness," he said.

Back in New York, Cantley was able to hook up with a producer and they started brainstorming ideas to create a thread for his documentary. They came up with the idea of pushing a giant ball from Los Angeles to New York and then from Toronto to Halifax.

Planning is underway as Cantley seeks corporate sponsors, works out his travel itinerary and logistical support and awaits the arrival of his eight-kilogram, giant white ball from the manufacturer in Italy.

He has already heard from the American Cancer Society, The Lance Armstrong Foundation and the Canadian Testicular Cancer Association.

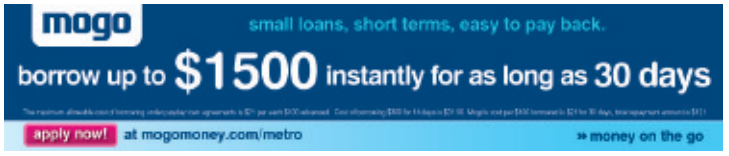
Cantley said he hasn't set a start date yet but he wants to take advantage of good summer weather and has begun working out with a personal trainer in New York to improve his stamina. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Myers says Austin movie 'on track'

MOVIES

Myers

Mike Myers can't wait to revive his Austin Powers alter ego for another movie — but he's struggling to assemble his cast for production. The funnyman announced last year he had begun work on another sequel. Myers insists the project is still "on track" but admits he has run into problems recruiting stars. METRO NEWS SERVICES



NCIS' Murray welcomes son
It's good news for NCIS star Sean Murray -- the actor and his wife Carrie have welcomed a baby boy to the family. POPEATER.COM

Michaels hospitalized

Poison frontman suffers brain hemorrhage

Bret Michaels is in critical condition suffering from a brain hemorrhage, his publicist said Friday.

Joann Mignano confirmed a report on People magazine's website Friday that said the former Poison frontman was rushed to intensive care late Thursday after a severe headache.

The report said doctors discovered bleeding at the base of his brain stem.

Mignano said tests are being conducted and that no further information was available.

The 47-year-old reality TV star had an emergency appendectomy last week after complaining of stomach pains.

He said on his website that though the surgery "has taken its toll," doctors expected him to make a full recovery.

Michaels starred on the VH1 dating show Rock of Love and is a contestant on Donald Trump's NBC reality show, The Celebrity Apprentice.

Trump said in a statement Friday that he was "deeply saddened" to hear of Michaels' condition.

"He's a great competitor and champion, and I hope he will be fine," Trump said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hantz charged with battery

LEGAL Police in Louisiana say Survivor contestant Russell Hantz is charged with simple battery after being accused of shoving a woman to the ground.

Lafayette police say Hantz was booked into the parish jail early Friday after the incident in downtown Lafayette. The woman was not seriously hurt.

Officers on patrol nearby were flagged down and interviewed several witnesses. Hantz was released later in the day. It could not be determined whether he had an attorney.

Hantz was runner-up in the Survivor: Samoa series and is currently on the series Survivor: Heroes vs. Villains on CBS. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Entertainment in brief

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	575	583	38	CMT Due South "Free Willy"		Amer. Funniest Home Videos		According-Jim	According-Jim	*The Witches of Eastwick* (1987, Fantasy), Cher		
	616	521	39	SHO Relic Hunter		*A Trick of the Mind* (2006, Suspense) Paul Johansson.				Misfits (HDTV) (N)		Survivors
	620	523	40	BVO The 2010 JUNO Awards Billy Talent, Blue Rodeo, Drake.				Celtic Woman		The Musical Brain		Law & Order
	601	562	41	SLC Rich Bride Poor Bride		Bulging Brides	Bulging Brides	Rich Bride Poor Bride		The Millionaire Matchmaker		ET Canada
	522	506	43	HIS Dogfights "Guadalcanal"		Aftermath (HDTV)		Storm Planets (N)		Cities of the Underworld		Ancients-Badl
	625	548	44	COM Air Farce	22 Minutes	Corner Gas	Name Is Earl	The Simpsons	South Park	Pete Correale: Things We Do		Daily Show
	600	564	46	H&G House Hunters	Property Virgin	For Rent	Bang, Buck	Home to Flip	Marriage	House Hunters	House Hunters	Holmes/Homes
	294	529	47	TBS Family Guy	Family Guy	MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at St. Louis Cardinals. From Busch Stadium in St. Louis.						Law & Order
	576	582	49	BET 106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live		*Steppin: The Movie* (2009, Musical Comedy)				Spring Bling	Revamped	Mo'Nique
	627	528	50	SPC Stargate Atlantis (DVS)		Star Trek: Voyager		*Alien Siege* ★★ (2005, Science Fiction) Brad Johnson.				Comic-Con
	581	566	52	MTV Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Teen Cribs	The Challenge: Fresh Meat II		My Life as Liz	After Show	MTV Live
	618	524	54	TROP Re-Vamped		Wipeout		Wipeout		Parking Wars	Parking Wars	Prod. Parker
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	520	146	-	DISC Daily Planet (N)		MythBusters		Dirty Jobs		Motor City Motors (N)		Daily Planet
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Death of Osmond's son ruled a suicide

The death of the 18-year-old son of U.S. singer Marie Osmond has been ruled a suicide, according to coroner officials in Los Angeles, BBC is reporting. Toxicology results showed drugs or alcohol did not play a part in the death of Michael Blosil, who jumped from an apartment building in February. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Don't start spouting off music trivia around Harlem, unless you want to be corrected. The Austin, Texas-based indie band will be in town Wednesday for a concert at the Horseshoe Tavern.

Harlem know their musical history

PAT HEALY
Metro World News

Speaking with the members of the Austin trio, Harlem, in their hometown over Bloody Marys is like flipping through an encyclopedia.

In addition to the absurd cultural touchstones they bring up, the musical acts that come up in conversation include ABBA, Buddy Holly, Slash, the Cure, Bone Thugs-N-Harmony and the Black Crowes.

"I ran into that guy one time," says singer Michael Coomers of Crowes frontman Chris Robinson. "I had just read an interview where he had said something to the extent of, 'I invented punk rock,' and I was like 16, with a little mohawk or something, and I said, 'You didn't invent punk rock, you're a douchebag,' or something sh—y, and my girlfriend looked back and said that Kate Hudson was holding him back from beating me up."

This is as apt of a representation of Harlem's attitude as anything. They know their history and they feel very strongly about it, and their approach is aggressive, but somehow comical at times.

Their new album, Hippies, features songs in a style that Metro has dubbed "Oldies on Drugs"; tunes that owe their structures to '50s and early '60s rock 'n' roll but will effortlessly include cuss words and drug references.

"If I could be your darlin' you've gotta start fallin' for all the bullsh— that I give you," sings Coomers in the track, Be Your Baby.

"There's only so many patterns that you're gonna hit with that six-stringed piece of wood," Coomers says.

Take a picture

• During a gig at last month's SXSW conference, bassist Jose Boyer and drummer/guitarist Curtis O'Mara hassled photo-snapping crowd members to clear the front of the stage so fans could dance. "Are you going to take a picture and dance to it later?" hounded O'Mara. However, Boyer notes dancing fans can be trouble, too. "Some girl got her shoe stuck on his guitar," he says, gesturing to Michael Coomers. So what would they prefer — fans crowding the stage and creating mayhem, or people standing still with their digital cameras? "I'd definitely prefer the first one," says Coomers.

Spock raises V in Vulcan pride

SCI-FI Mr. Spock came home Friday, ironically by boldly going somewhere he'd never gone before.

Leonard Nimoy, the actor who turned the sci-fi science officer into a pop-culture icon on the TV series Star Trek, made his first trip to the town of Vulcan, Alta., south of Calgary, to be honoured by throngs of fans decked out in pointy ears and Starfleet tunics.

Leonard Nimoy

"I have been a Vulcan for 44 years," Nimoy said to cheers and applause. "I figured it was about time I came home."

Vulcan was the name of Spock's home planet on the 1960s show that has since mushroomed into a multi-billion-dollar global phenomenon of movies, games and memorabilia.

The 79-year-old icon arrived and was immediately whisked into the Vulcan Tourism and Trek Station, a futuristic circular building epitomizing the town's fascination with the show and its determination to turn it into a tourism cash cow.

Nimoy was the star of a parade, had his handprint immortalized with fingers spread in the famous Vulcan V and got the key to the town.

He told the town his famous character had taken him all over the world, gotten him inducted to the space hall of fame, and helped him shoot far past his dream of simply making a living as an actor.

"In all of these experiences I have never had an experience quite as touching as I'm having here today."

More than 2,000 fans screamed hysterically as Nimoy spoke, shouting that he's loved by the town and always welcome to come back home.

"A living legend. I think he's the sexiest man on television, ever," said Christine Desjardins, who sported a red starfleet tunic. "Then and now. Can't beat him."

Tammy Dann slathered on sparkling green body paint from head-to-toe to look like an Orion slave girl from the original television series. Nimoy said when he agreed to come to Calgary for a comic convention this weekend, he decided to make this side trip. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Let that be a lesson to you, Bart!

TELEVISION The animated television characters of Homer and Bart Simpson have been used to educate students about a wide variety of topics, from philosophy to the law.

The Public Legal Education Association of Saskatchewan is counting on "D'oh!" moments with school kids across the province.

Jonas Kiedrowski, who created a newsletter for schools throughout Saskatchewan, combed through Simpsons episodes to find examples of legal issues he could present to students in a fun way.

In one episode, Homer sues his boss, Mr. Burns, for hitting Bart with his car and demands $1 million in damages.

Kiedrowski says Homer's lawsuit makes outrageous legal claims; and, in the end, he gets nothing.

The lesson?

The evils of frivolous lawsuits, which the legal educator says use the legal system as a means of making money, not of meting out justice. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Box office

1. **How to Train Your Dragon:** $15 million US
2. **The Back-up Plan:** $12.3 million
3. **Date Night:** $10.6 million
4. **The Losers:** $9.6 million
5. **Kick-Ass** $9.5 million
6. **Clash of the Titans** $9 million
7. **Death at a Funeral,** $8 million
8. **Oceans,** $6 million
9. **The Last Song** $3.7 million
10. **Alice in Wonderland** $2.2 million

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The Killers honoured for music

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Kate Nash back in Hitsville

Singer's clever, catchy second album goes beyond pop

PAT HEALY
Metro World News

Kate Nash begins My Best Friend is You, her sophomore effort, in the same Hitsville UK territory that defined her debut. But that's just a point of departure. And oh what a departure it is.

By the fourth song, I Just Love You More, she's screaming, shivering and cooing against a guitar that sounds borrowed from the Breeders.

"Well, I kind of wanted to mix it a little bit between the pop and the weirder stuff," says the singer.

She says to achieve this mix, she paid a lot of attention to the album's sequence.

"I had to work on figuring that out for quite a while," she says. "Some of it really I thought was kind of funny to do, like after I Just Love You More coming straight with Do-Wah-Doo."

That she comes back to the friendly Motown neighbourhood with songs like Do-Wah-Doo will ensure she doesn't alienate the fans that her debut Made of Bricks earned her in 2007. It's just that she puts these nuggets of primal energy in between the catchy and clever material.

And yes, all of the silly, yet vulnerable expressions of jealousy are here as well.

"I bet her feet don't even stink," she sings of the subject in Kiss That Girl.

"I try not to take myself too seriously, and they are kind of funny," Nash says of lyrics like that.

"It's not like I find them hilarious, but they are silly little things that you do kind of get pissed off about."

If that pissed-off feeling is beneath the surface in her poppier numbers, it's all out on display a few songs later in Mansion Song, which begins with a cuss-filled rant that ramps up to a breathless fever by the second minute.

"I was just thinking I wanted to do something like that because I'm interested in other styles as well and want to experiment," she says.

That's not the only experimental thing Nash has going for her. She's been playing with a punk band called The Receeders on the side.

"It's the first time I've really written with other people," she says.

"It opened me up, maybe made me a little bit more relaxed. And I'm playing bass as well, so I'm thinking differently about how the songs are written."

Judging by the sheer variety of her new album, it's clear that Nash is thinking differently about a lot of things.

Cuss-filled rant part of Mansion Song on Kate Nash's new album.

In Concert

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Parents to be proud of
David Hasselhoff's ex-wife Pamela Bach has been sentenced to spend 90 days behind bars for drunk driving. A judge in L.A. sentenced the singer to 30 days in jail, but another 60 have been added on because her November arrest was a parole violation, TMZ.com reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Want sauce with that?

CREATING LUNCH-LADY FANTASIES FOR TEENAGERS ACROSS THE CONTINENT Jennifer Lopez has "offered" herself up for a guest role on Glee, reports female-first.co.uk.

The singer-and-actress — who stars in new romantic comedy movie The Back-up Plan — admitted she plans to take on more funny roles in the future and has been in talks with Glee producers about having a cameo on the show.

She said: "I was like, 'Yeah, yeah whatever. I'm a huge fan. Whenever you want ... I'm good.' I kind of offered myself up."

When asked by U.S. TV talk show host Ellen DeGeneres this past Friday about when fans could expect to see her in the musical drama, Jennifer admitted the only issue was timing.

She said: "I sat down with show creator Ryan Murphy and we talked me doing something on Glee. We want to. We want to do it."

If she does appear on the show, it is thought the 40-year-old star would play a cafeteria lady at the fictional McKinley High, with her character being given a makeover from Chris Colfer's character Kurt Hummel.

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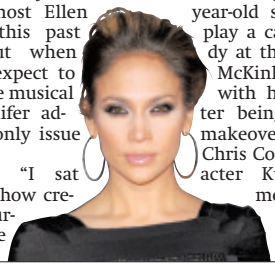


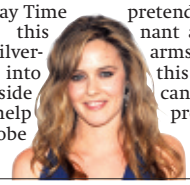
Ricky's closet was made of pure gold

MUST HAVE BEEN A VERY HEAVY DOOR Coming out of the closet seems to be paying off for Ricky Martin, who has reportedly been offered a $20-million publishing deal for his forthcoming memoirs dealing with his recently announced homosexuality, according to Puerto Rican newspaper El Nuevo Dia.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Can't wait for swollen ankles

AND MONTHS OF NAUSEA While starring — and earning great reviews — as the young lover in the hit Broadway play Time Stands Still this spring, Alicia Silverstone tapped into her maternal side with a little help from her wardrobe for the play.



"Wearing a pregnancy suit was so much fun," the actress, 33, tells People.

"I loved the feeling of pretending to be pregnant and having little arms and legs and this big belly ... I can't wait to be pregnant."

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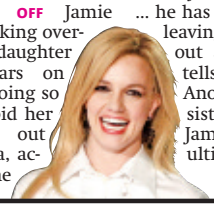
Bralessness banned for Brit?

GLAD WOMEN FOUGHT SO HARD TO HAVE CONTROL OVER THEIR OWN BODIES — IT'S REALLY PAYING OFF Jamie Spears is working overtime to keep daughter Britney Spears on track, even going so far as to forbid her from going out without a bra, according to the Sun.



"Jamie's control over Britney's life is incredible ... he has banned her from leaving the house without a bra," a source tells the newspaper. Another source insists to TMZ that Jamie made no such ultimatum.

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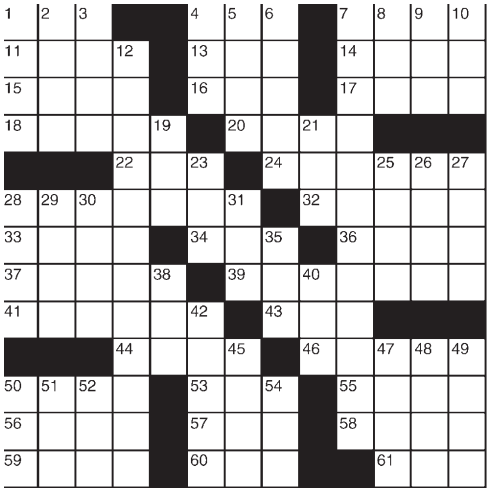

ACROSS

1 Prohibit
4 Harvest goddess
7 Heady potation
11 Moby Dick's pursuer
13 Joan of —
14 Taj Mahal city
15 Letter after alpha
16 Mauna —
17 Standard
18 In the midst of
20 Cattle drive item
22 Beaver's construct
24 Least fettered
28 Wrapped
32 Sacha Baron Cohen portrayal
33 State with certainty
34 Moo goo gai pan pan
36 Press
37 Parson's home
39 Gracefully tall and slender
41 " — and arrows of outrageous fortune"
43 Zero
44 Enthusiastic
46 Duck sauce ingredient
50 Wagon
53 Meadow
55 Regulation
56 United nations
57 Dog's doc
58 By word of mouth
59 Adam and Eve's third son
60 — out a living
61 Do sums

DOWN

1 Ali —
2 Throat-clearing sound
3 Org. HQ'd in Brussels
4 Erstwhile acorn
5 Get ready, for short
6 Muffler
7 Matador's aide
8 Freudian concept
9 Misstep
10 Aries
12 Lewis Carroll's "frumious" beast
19 Needle-fish
21 Sphere
23 Kitten's comment
25 Continental coin
26 Winter forecast
27 Danza or Curtis
28 Rotating parts
29 Elliptical
30 "—, vidi, vici"
31 Wall Street statistic, with "The"
35 Relatives
38 Early bird?
40 Back talk
42 Figure out
45 Nerdy sort
47 Emanation
48 Dressed (in)
49 Maintained
50 Couric's network
51 Cousin of 7-Across
52 Deteriorate
54 Chewed and swallowed

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

		1				2		
			6		3			
3	7						4	6
		2	3		4	9		
9	5						7	2
		3	9		2	1		
2	8						9	1
			1		5			
		6				8		

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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E	R	I	E	■	P	E	P	■	D	O	S	E
L	A	C	■	B	E	E	R	S	■	T	I	S
P	R	E	P	A	Y	■	O	L	D	A	G	E
S	A	T	I	R	E	■	M	O	U	R	N	S
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9	3	2	1	4	8	6	7	5
5	1	4	7	2	6	3	8	9
6	7	8	9	5	3	4	1	2
3	6	9	2	7	5	1	4	8
8	5	7	4	3	1	2	9	6
4	2	1	6	8	9	7	5	3
2	9	6	8	1	7	5	3	4
1	4	5	3	9	2	8	6	7
7	8	3	5	6	4	9	2	1

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Metro Recipe of the Day

Broiled Shad with Mushrooms

INGREDIENTS:

700 g fresh (or frozen and thawed) shad, sole, or flounder fillets
1 tbsp butter or margarine, melted
1 tbsp lemon juice
1 tbsp finely chopped yellow onion
1 tbsp drained prepared horseradish
1 tbsp Dijon mustard
1/4 tsp salt
1/8 tsp black pepper
1 tbsp butter or margarine
2 cups sliced fresh mushrooms

METHOD:

1. Preheat broiler. Rinse fish and pat dry. In small bowl, stir together 1 tbsp melted butter, lemon juice, onion, horseradish, Dijon mustard, salt, and pepper.

2. Place fish on lightly-greased broiler pan rack. Tuck under thin edges of fillets. Brush with lemon mixture. Broil 5 inches from heat 3 to 6 minutes or until fish flakes when tested with fork, brushing once with lemon mixture.

3. Meanwhile, in medium-size skillet, melt 1 tbsp butter over moderate heat. Add mushrooms and cook 3 minutes or until tender. Serve mushrooms on top of fish.

SERVES 4

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
You may be inclined to fear the worst but you are also intelligent enough to know that it's pointless worrying about things you cannot control.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
It can be a mistake to try too hard to get along with people, not least because the more you try to please them the harder they are to please.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
Something you have been working towards for many months will begin to bear fruit this week, making you glad you stayed the distance.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
You can handle anything that life throws at you. Yes, anything. It does not matter how tough the test you face today you will come through.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
You may feel obliged to commit yourself in some way, either to a family member or to a friend, but you really don't have to.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
Keep a sense of perspective over the next 24 hours. You will see that a relationship won't collapse just because you have had a minor disagreement.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Routine matters are easy to ignore but can be difficult to put right if you let things slide too far. Take advantage of today's work-related influences.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
The week ahead will be highly productive for those born under the sign of the scorpion, but you still need to pace yourself sensibly.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
There may be something of a personal nature that you want to be getting on with but if others demand your attention you will have to put them first.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
At some stage today you will be struck by a wonderful idea and you must make a detailed note of it right away.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
Will things get better in your life? Of course they will, starting from this very day, this very minute and this very moment.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Focus your energy in a single direction and don't let anyone distract you from what you know you should be doing.

This day in history

1478: The Pazzi attack Lorenzo de' Medici and killed his brother Giuliano during High Mass in the Duomo of Florence.
1865: Union cavalry troopers corner and shoot dead John Wilkes Booth, assassin of President Lincoln, in Virginia.
1933: The Gestapo, the official secret police force of Nazi Germany, is established.
1965: A Rolling Stones concert in London, Ont., is shut down by police after 15 minutes due to rioting.
1986: A nuclear reactor accident occurs at the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant in the Soviet Union (now Ukraine), creating the world's worst nuclear disaster.

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